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- Response to Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (in duplicate);
- Two Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- Copy of Form PCT/DO/EO/905; and
- Petition for four-Month Extension of Time (in duplicate); and
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any filing fees required in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, <u>Ref.</u> No. 19374-502 NATL. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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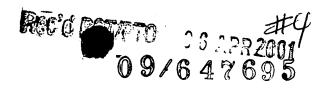
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Responsive to the *Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371* dated November 6, 2000, Applicants' attorney submits herewith two executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application for the above-identified patent application. A check in the amount of \$130.00 based on large entity status is enclosed to cover the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.492(e). A copy of Form PCT/DO/EO/905 is also enclosed.

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